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# THE GLEANER

UNTIL EVERY BOWL IS FILLED...

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Feeding the Hungry!

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Indiana's favorite mascot, Boomer, was head over heels with excitement at Gleaners' 30th Anniversary celebration! See more on pages five and six of this edition of The Gleaner.

If you need food assistance for you or your family, or know someone who does, please call the Connect2Help Helpline. That number is 317.926.4357 or, from a home phone, simply dial 211.



## Looking for a great way to start your day?

We'd love to have you come visit! For more information and to schedule a one-hour tour, call Sloan Shockley at 800.944.9166 ext. 118.

# Letter From Pam...

Dear Friends,

April 14, 2010 was a red-letter day for Gleaners Food Bank! Hundreds of friends gathered to help us celebrate 30 years of feeding the hungry, we announced our relocation to 3737 Waldemere Avenue on the city's southwest side, the former site of Monarch Beverage, and went public with the Capital Campaign that is allowing us to acquire the building. All are accomplishments that were made thanks to folks dedicated to our mission of feeding those in need.

The Campaign planning began six years ago when a study of the facilities at 1102 East 16th Street determined that its distribution capacity was 12 million pounds, the equivalent of 9.2 million meals. In FY2008-09, Gleaners distributed nearly twice that, taxing the capacity of the obsolete facility and the patience of the emergency food pantries, soup kitchens and shelters that depend on us for food.

Although an exhaustive search was conducted during 2007 and 2008, no up-to-date, affordable and available warehouse facility was found. However, in late 2008, as a result of the economic downturn, an ideal existing warehouse property became available under exceptionally favorable terms from Monarch Beverage.

With significant lead gifts from Lilly Endowment, the Mel & Bren Simon Charitable Foundation No. 1 and Gleaners' Board of Directors, a Blue Ribbon Committee of nearly four dozen community leaders began planning and raising the \$11.6 million for the Capital Campaign. Most recently, the Rotary Club of Indianapolis pledged \$1.5 million for naming rights to the distribution center and Second Presbyterian Church pledged \$100 thousand for the Campaign.

With major six-figure commitments from noted corporations and foundations including Indianapolis Power & Light, Eli Lilly & Company, Chase Bank, Deem, LLC, and the Efroymsen Family Fund, a fund of the Central Indiana Community Foundation, on April 14th at the Campaign kickoff, Bob Moeder, President, Central Division of Kroger announced a \$100,000 Campaign Challenge Grant.

Special thanks to Jim Morris, Campaign Chair and President of Pacers Sports and Entertainment, the 42 members of the Campaign's Blue Ribbon Committee, Monarch's President & CEO Phil Terry and generous donors, for a new home that will enable us to better serve those in our community who need it most. With continued volunteer selflessness, Gleaners can move more efficiently toward the future to better feed more hungry Hoosiers!



Pamela Altmeyer  
President & CEO



Gleaners new home located at 3737 Waldemere Avenue on Indianapolis' southwest side.

**MISSION STATEMENT**  
Gleaners' mission is to end hunger by engaging individuals and communities to provide food for people in need.

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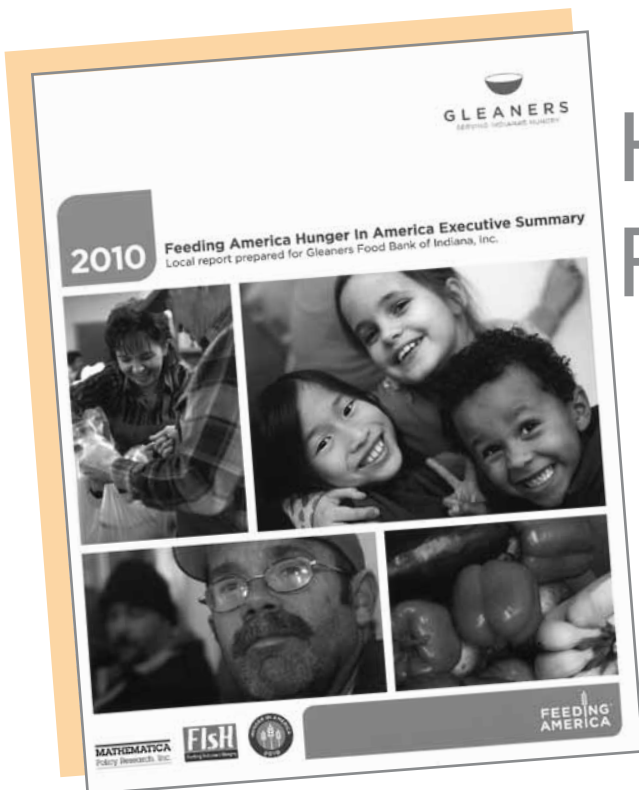
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# Hunger Study Results Released...

Hunger in America 2010: Every four years, the Feeding America national food bank network undertakes our nation's largest and most comprehensive scientific study of the charitable response to hunger. Data for Gleaners Food Bank's local report were collected during the first half of 2009 through 400 face-to-face interviews with emergency pantry, kitchen and shelter clients, as well as surveys returned by 259 local hunger relief agencies. Data analysis was performed by Mathematica Policy Research. Here are a few of the results:

- On a yearly basis, an estimated 160,900 different people depend on emergency food assistance through the network of hunger relief charities served by Gleaners. In a typical week, an estimated 33,600 different people are served.
- 43% of the members of households are children under the age of 18.
- 7% of the members of households are persons over the age of 65.
- Among households with children, 84% are food insecure and 33% are food insecure with very low food security, meaning that these households had one or more members who experienced reductions in food intake or disruptions in eating patterns due to a lack of adequate resources for food.
- Many clients report having to choose between food and other necessities:
  - o 45% of clients report having to choose between paying for food and paying for utilities or heating fuel.
  - o 41% had to choose between paying for food and paying their rent or mortgage.
  - o 33% had to choose between paying for food and paying for medicine or medical care.
  - o 42% had to choose between paying for food and paying for transportation.
- The programs and services of Gleaners Food Bank are critical to the charitable emergency hunger relief network in central and southeastern Indiana, with 84% of the pantries, 80% of the soup kitchens and 68% of the shelters reporting that the elimination of support from Gleaners would have a significant or devastating impact on their operation.

If you would like to access more information about the state of hunger in central and southeastern Indiana, an executive summary and the full report can be accessed at [www.gleaners.org](http://www.gleaners.org). We are deeply grateful to Lilly Endowment, Inc. for generous support that made the design and printing of the Executive Summary possible.

# Hoosiers Helping Hoosiers...

• The Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust awarded \$1,872,500 to 21 Indiana non-profit organizations on March 11th. Gleaners Food Bank was honored to have received \$100,000 for support to customize the 20,000- square-foot space in the new building to relocate the food rescue program and to purchase a bar code scanning system. "Since the Trust began its grant making in 1998, it has awarded more than \$86 million to 413 Indiana nonprofit organizations. The Trust has continued to further the causes Nina Pulliam supported during her life. As Trustees, we are pleased to continue her legacy of helping people in need, protecting animals and nature, and enriching community life," said Frank E. Russell, Trustee Chairman.



Seated left to right are Trustees, Nancy M. Russell, Frank E. Russell and Carol Peden Schilling. Standing left to right are Gleaners' Robert Wilson, Peggy Blackard and Pamela Altmeyer.

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• April 24th...It was an amazing day for Gleaners Food Bank and Indiana's hungry as HUNDREDS of volunteers descended on its new and old facilities!



In celebration of National Comcast Cares Day, nearly 440 local Comcast employees, families and friends gave of their time at Gleaners' new facility located at 3737 Walde-

mere Avenue. With the help of the Mayor's Front Porch Alliance Director Doug Hairston, they packed senior food boxes, delivered food boxes to seniors, assembled weekend bags of food for children, served southwest side residents from the Mobile Pantry at New Beginnings Assembly of God, did landscaping, washed windows, cleaned all Gleaners' trucks and vans, made greetings cards to go in the senior boxes, repacked meat going to Gleaners' charities, organized the mezzanine files, folded and mailed donor thank yous and painted six areas of the warehouse! While Comcast was busy on the southwest side, over 100 WellPoint employees and their families were working hard at Gleaners' old warehouse processing food going to Gleaners' charities, serving clients during a Mobile Pantry, repacking meat going to Gleaners' charities, loading a semi with product to be taken to the new facility and organizing another two truckloads to be taken later. Thank you Comcast and WellPoint!



• Prior to the Indianapolis Colts' Divisional Playoff Game on Saturday, January 16th, the Colts, WISH-TV, and MyINDY hosted a "Hoosiers Helping Hoosiers" Food Drive at Lucas Oil Stadium. The drive, presented by Toyota, brought in 4,126 pounds of food and \$3,012.00 for Gleaners and Indiana's hungry! The food drive was part of the ongoing "Hoosiers Helping Hoosiers" campaign. To learn more, visit [www.hoosiershelpinghoosiers.org](http://www.hoosiershelpinghoosiers.org).

• For the 10th year in a row, visitors to White River State Park attractions received free admission and free parking on Martin Luther King Jr. Day, January 18th, with a canned good donation for Gleaners Food Bank. Gleaners has received more than 150,000 pounds of non-perishable, canned food donations over the years. The 2010 drive brought in over 10,428 pounds of food!

• The Chef's Academy's "Chili Cook-Off" held on February 26th raised \$1,000 for Gleaners Food Bank! Over 50 students participated in the Cook-Off at the



Academy next to Harrison College in Indianapolis. The public was invited, and for a \$5.00 donation, tasted each chef's dish and voted for their favorite chili!

• On March 17th, First Lady Cheri Daniels announced the results of the "Hoosier Helping Hoosiers" food drive. More than 70,000 food items and \$15,700 were raised to benefit all 9 Indiana food banks. Nearly 14,000 pounds of food came directly to Gleaners Food Bank! During the month of February, Indiana state employees from all over the state joined together to make the drive a huge success!



• The March 2010 "Scouting For Food" drive brought in over 11,000 pounds of food to Gleaners for central and southeastern Indiana's hungry!

Thanks to the Crossroads of America Council of the Boy Scouts, who collected food door-to-door, and the Kroger Company, who once again collected food in their stores and offered pre-packaged bags to their customers.

# To Better Serve Indiana's Hungry...

Over 400 food bank friends, donors and charities were in attendance on April 14th to help Gleaners celebrate its 30th year of operation!

The celebration extended to include the move to a much newer, larger, and more efficient warehouse facility and the announcement of the Capital Campaign that is making the move possible.

Many volunteers from throughout the community are assisting with The Campaign For Gleaners. The "Blue Ribbon Committee" consisting of nearly four-dozen community leaders that have been involved in planning, preparations, and fundraising for the Campaign also attended the celebration.

To find out how you can help, simply log onto [gleaners.org](http://gleaners.org)!



Capital Campaign Chair Jim Morris, Gleaners' Board of Directors Chair Ron Talbot, Gleaners' President & CEO Pamela Altmeyer and Mayor Greg Ballard cut the ceremonial ribbon of Gleaners' new warehouse facility.



Quinn Buckner, Vice President/Communications, Pacers Sports & Entertainment emceed the event.



Gleaners' Pamela Altmeyer with Monarch Beverage's Phil Terry.



The Pacers' Boomer, Indiana Fever's Freddie Fever and the Indian's Rowdy helped cut the cake and entertained the crowd after the ribbon cutting!



Celebration goers enjoyed lunch provided by the Kroger Company!

Gleaners' staff gave tours of the 297,000-square-foot food warehouse that has over three times the floor space of the former facility. The energy-efficient, high cube, temperature controlled warehouse allows maximum storage and has a built-in 35,000-square-foot commercial refrigeration unit that is more than adequate for Gleaners' food storage needs.



Gleaners' staff took attendees on tours of the new 297,000 square-foot warehouse.

# Working To End Hunger...

• Saturday May 8th marked the 18th Annual Letter Carriers Food Drive! Once again this year, Branch 39 of the National Association of Letter Carriers delivered more than just mail on that day, they delivered hope to Hoosiers in



need. Over 183,400 pounds of food were brought directly to Gleaners as the result of their hard work! In all, 270,101 pounds of food were collected in Indianapolis and surrounding communities. Our sincerest thanks goes to the National Association of Letter Carriers, Rural Carriers, U.S. Postal Service, Campbell Soup Company, Valpak Direct Marketing Systems, Feeding America, AFL-CIO, United Way and Marsh Supermarkets.



Attorney Greg Zoeller, Heather Macek of Barnes & Thornburg, Roderick Morgan, President of the Indiana State Bar Association, Feeding Indiana's Hungry's Emily Weikert Bryant.

• On May 13th, Indiana Attorney General Greg Zoeller announced the winners of this year's "March Against Hunger" competition to benefit Indiana's food banks! The drive involved lawyers and law firms statewide competing to raise both food and money. Barnes & Thornburg LLP was the winner of the largest firm

division; in the small firm division, the firm of Rubin & Levin in Indianapolis won and in the public and non-profit division; the winning law office was the Office of United States Trustee, Indianapolis/Region 10. A total of 6,405 pounds of food were donated for the needy, along with another \$18,825 in monetary contributions!

• Over 9,000 people filled the seats at Con-seco Fieldhouse on May 14th to hear the Dalai Lama speak. His public talk was presented by the Tibetan Mongolian Buddhist Cultural Center, Indiana Buddhist Center,



The Dalai Lama with members of the Interfaith Hunger Initiative at Con-seco Fieldhouse.

and the Interfaith Hunger Initiative (IHI). The event was the single largest interfaith gathering ever held in Indianapolis and raised over \$60,000 for IHI to benefit Umoja and Gleaners Food Bank. That money will feed over 1,500 children in Kenya through the Umoja school and provide a quarter million pounds of food for Gleaners' Pantry Partner food pantries. Special thanks to IHI's David Miner, Lori Crantford, Michele Rogers, Tony Dzwonar, Elise Vestal, and Kent Millard.



• March 24th....For the second year, the Purduettes performed at Ben Davis High School to help raise money for the BackSacks... Weekend Food For Kids program for 700 Wayne Township elementary students. This year, along with the Purduettes, the Stout

Field & Garden City Children's Choir and the Ben Davis Show Choir (pictured above) performed. Thanks to organizer Sara Gasiorowski, Wayne Township Food Service, and sponsors, the concert brought in over \$6,000 for the program!

• April 20th...80 Indianapolis PepsiCo employees volunteered their time at Gleaners during PepsiCo's National Day of Service in conjunction with Feeding America, the nation's food bank network. The PepsiCo employees assembled food boxes for seniors, weekend food bags for children and helped serve clients at Gleaners' Community Cupboard food pantry! PepsiCo is a longtime supporter of the Feeding America network and in addition to this volunteer day of service has provided over 300 million pounds of product to Feeding America over the past five years.



**PEPSICO**

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SUPERMARKET & PHARMACY

• On June 3rd, Marsh Supermarkets presented Gleaners with a check for

\$11,377.70! The donation was a result of the "Food For All" campaign. At Marsh and O'Malia stores, customers were given the opportunity to select a \$1, \$3, or \$5 coupon at the checkout stand. The cashier scanned the selected coupon and the amount was automatically added to the customer's bill giving shoppers a simple way to make a difference in their community. The campaign ran from October 2009 through January 3rd.

• On June 11th Dot Foods delivered a semi-load of food to Gleaners Food Bank of Indiana in honor of the food redistributor's 50th anniversary. It was the second stop for Dot Foods'



50th anniversary golden trailer as it traveled to 11 food banks across the country to deliver 270,000 pounds of food. The donation from Dot Foods was equivalent to \$315,000 and included items such as canned fruits and vegetables, peanut butter, tuna, beans, rice and cereal.

# Grants

We are deeply grateful for the partnership of the following foundations, congregations and corporations that have generously provided grants in support of the fight against hunger in central and southeastern Indiana—thank you!

Grants Received from January 1 through May 31, 2010

\$100,000+

Funding Collaborative of the Community Economic Relief Fund:

- Anonymous
- Mr. Leonard Betley
- Central Indiana Community Foundation Funds:
  - o The Indianapolis Foundation
  - o Indianapolis Retirement Home
  - o Efroymsen Family Fund
  - o James Proctor Fund for Aged Men and Women
  - o Frank Curtis and Irving Moxley Springer Fund
  - o Pulliam Charities Fund
  - o Legacy Fund for Hamilton County
  - o Blackwell Williams Fund
  - o Meyer Family Fund
- Lilly Endowment
- The Lumina Foundation
- The Moore Foundation
- Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust
- Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation, Inc.
- St. Luke's United Methodist Church, Inc.
- United Way of Central Indiana

Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust

\$25,000 - \$99,999

Eli Lilly and Company Foundation, Inc.

\$10,000 - \$24,999

Mars, Inc. SNICKERS Bar Hunger Campaign

\$5,000 - \$9,999

Anonymous  
Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield\*  
The Capital Group Companies Charitable Foundation  
Nicholas H. Noyes, Jr. Memorial Foundation  
Rotary Foundation of Indianapolis  
Scottish Rite of Indianapolis Foundation  
WellPoint Foundation  
Zimmer Family Fund, a fund of Central Indiana Community Foundation\*

\$1,000 - \$4,999

Bank of America Foundation  
Cisco Foundation Matching Gifts Program  
Enterprise Holdings Foundation  
Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund  
Jenn Foundation  
Kraabel Charitable Foundation  
Smock Fansler Corporation Neighborhood Fund, a fund of Central Indiana Community Foundation  
Tosa Foundation  
United Hope Foundation of Indiana

Up to \$999

Christian Church Foundation  
The Clowes Fund, Inc.  
Feeding America  
Gannett Foundation  
ITW Foundation Matching Gift Program  
Jewish Federation of Greater Indianapolis  
Key Foundation  
Kraft Foods Foundation  
Lilly Endowment, Inc.  
Lumina Foundation for Education  
Macy's Foundation  
Merrill Lynch & Co. Foundation  
Paul Family Foundation  
PepsiAmericas Foundation  
Anthony J. and Marya Mernitz Rose Philanthropic Fund  
Schwab Charitable Fund  
Starbuck's Foundation  
USAFunds  
Verizon Foundation c/o Cyber Grants

\*Grants marked with an asterisk were received in late December 2009 but were not included in the list of grants prepared for the Winter 2010 issue of The Gleaner. We regret this omission.

# Gifts of time...

We are grateful for the following corporate groups and organizations that boxed food for Gleaners' hunger relief charities, assembled thousands of boxes for Gleaners' Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) for seniors and packed sacks for Gleaners' BackSacks Weekend Food For Kids Program!

1st Internet Bank  
1st Mennonite Church  
2nd Presbyterian Church  
Bank of New York Mellon  
BKD, LLP  
Blackmore & Buckner  
Bound No More  
Boy Scouts of America  
Butler University  
Celestial Star  
Charles Tindley School  
CH2M HILL  
Church Extensions  
Comcast

Downtown Rotary of Indianapolis  
Eli Lilly  
Farm Bureau Insurance  
Girl Scout Troop 2451  
Goodwill  
Heather Hills Baptist Church  
IMPACT  
Indianapolis Hebrew Congregation  
IUPUI  
Key Learning Community  
Kiwanis  
Liberty Mutual  
Logicalis  
Lutherwood

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Marian College  
Marion County Community Corrections  
Marion County Community Courts  
Martin University  
Messiah Lutheran Church  
Messiah Missionary Baptist Church  
Northside Christian Church  
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Pacers Academy  
Pacers Sports & Entertainment  
People 2 People  
Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church  
Reinhart Foods  
Rolls Royce Corporation  
Shiel Sexton  
Sikhcess  
St. Jude Catholic Church  
St. Monica Catholic Church  
Wabash College  
Washington Central High School  
WellPoint  
Westlake Community Church of God

• On March 13th, the Downtown Rotary Club of Indianapolis broke a Club record as 88 members, family and friends volunteered at the food bank. They spent their Saturday morning packing 1,371 food boxes for seniors and 561 bags of food for Gleaners' BackSacks...Weekend Food for Kids program!



Downtown Rotary Club of Indianapolis members, family and friends gathered at Gleaners' former warehouse facility.

## Charities

working to fill the bowl...



Please welcome the new hunger relief charities who have signed on with Gleaners from December 19th through May 31st. Each charity is working to fill every bowl in its community!

### Marion County

Caring Neighbor  
Community Outreach Resource  
Rebirth Community Ministries  
The Lord's Kitchen  
Westside Pentacosta

### Morgan County

Helping Hands Ministries

### Putnam County

Anthony Brown Ministries

Any 501 (c) (3) charity that feeds those in need within Gleaners' 21-county area and wishes to become a Gleaners charity should contact Kathy Hahn Keiner, at (317) 925-0191 or (800) 944-9166, ext. 138 or email her at [khahnkeiner@gleaners.org](mailto:khahnkeiner@gleaners.org).

# Upcoming Events...



## Save The Date!

10th Annual Harvest Moon Gala

Event Date: October 9th, 2010

Time: 6:00 pm - Midnight

Location: Westin Downtown

Join over 600 guests in an extraordinary evening that includes amazing silent and live auctions, culinary delights, and entertainment. In the past 9 years, the Harvest Moon Gala has raised over \$2 million dollars to help Hoosiers in need... this translates into 12 MILLION meals! Attire is "black tie and blue jeans". Individual tickets are \$125 per person and corporate tables are \$2,000. Sponsorship opportunities are still available.

For more information : <http://www.gleaners.org/Get-Involved/Special-Events/Harvest-Moon-Gala.aspx> or call Carrie Fulbright at 800.944.9166, ext. 104.

Tamika Catchings next Catch the Stars Foundation Fitness Clinic, will take place on Monday, July 12th at 1:00 pm at the Indianapolis Convention Center in conjunction with Indiana Black Expo. Kids', ages 7 - 14, will need to arrive early to sign up for the fitness clinic. The clinic is also a food drive fund raiser for Gleaners Food Bank. For more information, please email [lsatterfield@catchthestars.org](mailto:lsatterfield@catchthestars.org)

## The results are in...

In the next edition of The Gleaner, look for the results of Gleaners' 16th annual "PUTTING An End To Hunger" golf tournament presented by Automotive Finance Corporation and the Indianapolis Marion County Library's "Can Do" summer reading program food drive!



Fever's Tamika Cathings collecting food at last December's Fitness Clinic.

## Wish List

- Black markers
- 2-inch wide tape
- Plastic box cutters
- Gel pens for use in freezer
- New vacuum sweeper
- 8 1/2 x 11 copy paper (white and colors)
- Toner cartridges for laser printers
- General office supplies
- Service Needs: Plumbers, painters, electricians, mechanics, drivers, data entry specialists and other trade skills are occasionally needed by Gleaners from individuals who are willing to donate their time and talent to the fight against hunger.

Please call 800.944.9166 for more information.





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